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RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. 371 in the United States Designated/Elected Office mailed October 15, 2001, a copy of which is attached. Applicant respectfully submits the executed Declaration, a Power of Attorney (by Assignee), and an Assignment.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any necessary fees to our Deposit Account No. 06-2375, under Order No. HO-P02246US0. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.

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The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1 497(a) and (b), identifying the
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